

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants : Martins, Ralph N., *et al.*  
Serial No. : 10/674,456  
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For : **SCREENING METHODS AND THE USE OF AGENTS  
IDENTIFIED USING THE SAME**  
Examiner : Hayes, Robert Clinton  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111 AND REQUEST FOR INTERVIEW**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the non-final Office Action mailed December 23, 2008 setting a three (3) month period for response.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.